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SUBJECT: PRESS REJECTS SECRETARY'S "THREATS"

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1. EGYPTIAN NEWSPAPERS CONTINUE TO EDITORIALIZE ABOUT SECRETARY KISSINGER'S "THREATS" TO OCCUPY OIL FIELDS. AKHBAR JAN 12 SUGGESTS REASON FOR "THESE THREATS" IS THAT USG SEEKS ACHIEVE REDUCED OIL PRICES, RESTORE EXPLOITIVE INDUSTRIAL-UNDERDEVELOPED RELATIONSHIP AND, MOST IMPORTANT, TO WARN THAT "INDUSTRIAL POWER WILL NOT REMAIN IDLE IN EVENT OF NEW OIL EMBARGO".

2. GUMHURIYYA EDITORIAL, TITLE "AMERICA AND LAW OF THE JUNGLE", SAYS KISSINGER STATEMENTS DISCLOSED IMPERIALIST SPIRIT OF US POLICY AND CONTINUATION OF USG SUPPORT OF ISRAELI AGGRESSION. WEEKLY ROSE AL-YUSUF DECLARES STEP-BY-STEP APPROACH IS "COMPLETELY REJECTED BY CAIRO" AND SAYS GOE DEMANDS THAT USG RETURN TO MORE MODERATE POLICY FOLLOWING SECRETARY'S STATEMENTS ABOUT USE OF FORCE.

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2. ADMIRAL WEINEL'S COMMENTS AT NORFOLK NATO SYMPOSIUM ARE
SUBJECT OF GUMHURIYYA EDITORIAL JAN 11. PAPER CLAIMS HE HAS
RENEWED AMERICAN THREATS TO ARAB OIL PRODUCERS, AND THAT USG
IS ACTIVELY SEEKING EUROPEAN BACKING FOR POSSIBLE MILITARY
INTERVENTION. IT BELIEVES THREATS ARE REAL AND DIRECTED NOT
AT RIYADH, BUT AT DAMASCUS AND CAIRO, TO MAKE ARABS BELIEVE
THAT ARAB MILITARY VICTORY IS UNATTAINABLE, SINCE HOSTILITIES
WOULD RESULT IN US MILITARY INTERVENTION.
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